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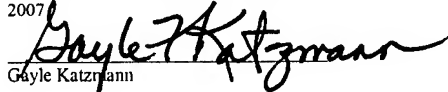
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AND AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This Communication is being filed in response to the Notice of Improper Request for Continued Examination mailed April 10, 2007 (a copy of which is enclosed herewith), which indicated that the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) did not include an appropriate submission as required under 37 CFR §1.114. Applicants unintentionally omitted the reply to the outstanding Office Action, including amendments to the claims, in this RCE. Accordingly, it is now presented below.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Summary** begins on page 10 of this paper.